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REPLY/AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL	Attorney Docket No.	1405.1050	
	Application Number	09/961,181	
	Filing Date	September 24, 2001	
	First Named Inventor	Takuro IKEDA et al.	
	Group Art Unit	3629	
AMOUNT ENCLOSED	0.00	Examiner Name	Traci L. SMITH

FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 12/08/04)

CLAIMS AS AMENDED	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra	Rate	Calculations
TOTAL CLAIMS	11	- 20 =	0	X \$ 50.00 =	\$ 0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	4	- 8 =	0	X \$ 200.00 =	0.00

Since an Official Action set an original due date of May 13, 2006, petition is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$120)); (2 months (\$450)); (3 months (\$1,020)); (4 months

If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$500.00)

If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$130.00)

Information Disclosure Statement (Rule 1.17(p)) (\$180.00)

Total of above Calculations = \$ 0.00

Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28)

TOTAL FEES DUE = \$ 0.00

(1) If entry (1) is less than entry (2), entry (3) is "0".

(2) If entry (2) is less than 20, change entry (2) to "20".

(4) If entry (4) is less than entry (5), entry (6) is "0".

(5) If entry (5) is less than 3, change entry (5) to "3".

METHOD OF PAYMENT

- ☐ Check enclosed as payment.
- ☐ Charge "TOTAL FEES DUE" to the Deposit Account No. below.
- ☐ No payment is enclosed.

GENERAL AUTHORIZATION

- ☒ If the above-noted "AMOUNT ENCLOSED" is not correct, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fees necessary to:

Deposit Account No. 19-3935

Deposit Account Name STAAS & HALSEY LLP

- ☒ The Commissioner is also authorized to credit any overpayments or charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 CFR 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application, including any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 USC § 120 (e.g., continuations/divisionals/CIPs under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and/or continuations/divisionals/CPAs under 37 CFR 1.53(d)) to maintain pendency hereof or of any such related application.

SUBMITTED BY: STAAS & HALSEY LLP

Typed Name	Luminita A. Todor	Reg. No.	57,639
Signature	<i>L Todor</i>	Date	May 15, 2006



RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 3629
Docket No.: 1405.1050

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Takuro IKEDA et al.

Serial No. 09/961,181

Group Art Unit: 3629

Confirmation No. 7175

Filed: September 24, 2001

Examiner: Traci L. SMITH

For: INFORMATION GATHERING METHOD AND SYSTEM

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Attention: **BOX AF**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed February 13, 2006, and having a period for response set to expire on May 13, 2006 which being a Saturday renders this response timely filed on May 15, 2006.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of the claims that starts on page 2 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested. The following remarks are respectfully submitted.